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THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

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minimum wage bill would not end the British strike, and the men as a last re-sort began overtures to the coal owners; it was announced that the Cabinet would in no circumstances modify its decision to insert no actual figures in its legislative proposals to end the strike. A remarkably enthusiastic welcome was accorded to Secretary Knox by the pub-The German Emperor arrived at Vienna and spent the day with Emperor Francis Joseph at Schönbrunn Castle; later he proceeded to Venice on a visit to King Victor Immanuel of Italy. == nucl of Italy, ___ It was announced Buenos Ayres that the revolutionary forces had won a complete victory over publican voters to give the President the the Paraguayan troops at Asuncion; more than six hundred men were report-ed killed. === A force of rebels were routed near Escalon, in the State of Chi-huahua, Mexico; they retired north after Mr. Taft's policies have been unpopular interestanting of an interestanti sharp fighting. bokrinon and his assistant were killed while making a flight in a Farman biplane at Sebastopol, Russia.

DOMESTIC .- The bones of the last burled in Arlington National Cemetery after funeral services in Washington at which President Taft and Father Chidwick delivered eulogies, ____ The stage in the Auditorium at Portland, Me., collapsed as Colonel Roosevelt entered; no one was injured; the colonel's speech contained direct thrusts at President Taft. —— Six dock companies and four railroads were fined \$125,000 in the United States court in Cleveland for re-bating. — The right of Indiana to the prohibit the sale of food prepared with benzoate of soda was upheld by a master or soda was apined by a master in chancery in Indianapolis. —— The strike of the union seamen on the Great Lakes was declared off. —— Wage increases were announced by cotton mills in several New England cities. —— General H. H. Bingham. "Father of the House of Representatives," died in Philadelphia —— The proposed local opadelphia. — The proposed local op-tion amendment to the state constitution was defeated in the Maine Legislature. — Three of the Allen clan were located in the Blue Ridge Mountains, and posses were rushed to surround them; capture without bloodshed is not ex-

CITY .- Stocks were strong. === Refor divorce, allegding misconduct on the died in Fordham Hospital, and Jackson was released in \$10,000 bail. —— The McAneny commission reported suggesify Fifth avenue and prevent it from ecoming a new and cheaper Broadway. Plans were being perfected for den and Religion Forward Move-which will open its campaign on April 1. -- An organization of Newark business men, known as the "One Hundred Sons of Taft," passed resolu-tions indorsing the President for renomination.

THE WEATHER .- Indications for today: Rain. The temperature yesterday: Highest, 38 degrees; lowest, 23.

A STOCK WATERING STATUTE.

It is unfortunate that the 1st and 2d District Public Service commissions should differ on so important a matter as the regulation of securities issued in reorganization of corporations under their jurisdiction. It is more unfortunate that the Legislature should have passed the Pollock bill affecting such regulation, in view of the contention of the 1st District Commission that it would permit the capitalization of franchises. It would be most unfortunate for Governor Dix to sign it if there is a scintilla of evidence that it could be construed as the city commission contends.

And there is much such evidence. In-

upstate commission's lawyers can justify the bill franchises could not be capitalpublic. This measure stipulates that the tion of public service corporations "shall "not exceed the fair value of the prop-"erty involved," considering original cost, cost of duplication, present condition, earning power "and all other relevant "matters and any additional sum or "sums as shall be actually paid in cash." Corporation lawyers and the courts are in agreement that a franchise is property. Is it conceivable that with a law so worded on the statute books any corporation lawyer advising his clients in issuance of securities to float a bankrupt corporation would not tell them to capitalize the franchises? Is it conceivable that the clients would not do this, or would not fight in the courts any effort of the commissions to cut such capitalization out of the reorganization scheme? Is it conceivable that the courts, in view of their former decisions, would not decide against the commissions under such a law?

The Public Service commissions law specifically forbids the issuance of securitles against franchise values by a new corporation under the jurisdiction of the commissions, thus defining the state's that insurgents like Mr. Lindbergh are a minute that in the face of this the scheme, system and principle of Ameri- remoter North Beach. advocates of the Pollock bill would try can republican government. They would, to justify capitalization of franchises, if they could have their way, effect at with the attendant evil of enforced pay- least as great a transformation as was ment of profits by the "ultimate consumer" on the capital thus inflated. The cal colony to an independent republic. supposed by its introducer to give to the preferences and desires, as would also the tall chimneys of Bayonne. Poets the humorist, "It was a quarter to 3." securities issues and prevent stock water- to revert to the monarchical system. lombrosa, wherefore it is safe to predict securities issues and prevent stock waterto revert to the monarchical system. lombrosa, wherefore it is safe to predict just the celebration of this quarter, but loose change." "All right; the celebration of this quarter, but loose change." "All right; why don't you write jokes?" he growled. ready possess in the formation of new aging to any extent their fantastic va- noise—in an epic of "The Night at West- And just then the small son spoke up.

and the spirit of its provisions.

MR. TAFT'S LONG LEAD.

About one-sixth of the delegates to the now been elected. Under the terms of membership of the convention will be ton and their associates. 1,076, and 539 votes will constitute a majority. But while only one-sixth of the total number have been chosen. President Taft has 126 delegates instructed or publicly pledged to him, and can probably count on the support of ten others, thus giving him more than a quarter of the votes needed to secure the nomination.

The President has developed strength in all parts of the country. He has pledged votes in all but two of the fifteen states, territories and dependencies which have so far elected, and in one of those two-New Mexico-a majority of the uninstructed delegation is undoubtedly for him. Of his opponents Colonel Roosevelt has votes in only two states, and Senator La Follette and Senator Cummins each has votes in one state. Yet in Iowa Mr. Taft leads Mr. Cummins by 8 votes to 2.

This week will see a material enlargement of the roll of delegates. State and districts in Indiana and forty-three dis- in other words, that it must stir those resentatives, which once included be would be for Taft. In that event, with his hearers, the moment an audience be- affairs of the Hours, less than a third of the roll of the con- gan to think in the theatre a play was vention completed, Mr. Taft would have doomed. nearly half of the total which he needs. The further the canvass goes on the

clearer becomes the intention of the Rerenomination to which his public services so amply entitle him. Even in those sec- play could live only after the popular tions of the country in which some of understanding of and interest in the sin-Sub-Lieutenant Al- it is generally recognized that the Re universal. publican party must make its fight this year on the record of the present administration. If it should repudiate that victims of the Maine explosion were record it would be sadly handicapped in putting a case before the people. On the other hand, that record furnishes ample material for a winning fight, since it represents a persistent and successful effort to put in practice the ideas for which Progressive Republicanism stands. Popular realization of that fact seems to make Mr. Taft's renomination certain.

THE MAINE REMEMBERED.

With beautiful and appropriate ceremonies all that remained of those gal- People" Dr. Wilson had this to say of there would still remain beneath the lant sailors who on February 15, 1898, the immigration to this country from went down in the battleship Maine were laid to rest in the Arlington Nation- began to gather force two or three dec al Cemetery yesterday. The nation ades ago: = The proposed local op- honored itself in honoring those brave men, and it will be the occasion of lasting satisfaction to every patriotic American that the ill-fated ship which too ! long remained their tomb has been buried at sea, as becomes a naval vessel, with military honors, while the bodies of the men have been placed at rest on publican organization leaders asserted that Taft would carry the greater New the banks of the Potomac, almost within a large majority, the shadow of the Capitol, and among primaries by a large majority, the shadow of the Capitol, and among Mrs. Eric B. Dahlgren brought sult lives on sea and land to preserve the

part of her husband with a woman not named. ——Henry Lavelle, the builder who was shot Friday night in a struggle at the home of B. F. Jackson, the Maine!" has yielded to the softening the struggle at the lowest in the scale of labor. influences of time, and only reverence and sorrow marked the remembrance of these Italian, Polish and Hungarian imtions, some requiring legislation, to beau- the Maine beside the fresh graves at migrants were less desirable than the Arlington yesterday. The Maine has Chinese. Now, however, in a letter to been remembered, not in anger but in the publisher of an Italian newspaper grief, not in passion but with sweetness. in Philadelphia Governor Wilson annot in chagrin but in pride, that then, as always, brave Americans stood ready to do their duty, however hazardous,

and to do it bravely.

also well to remember the men who for Italian migration when he wrote the many years have sought, in season and out, to gain from Congress such practical remembrance as made yesterday's services possible. Two years ago yesterday the untiring efforts of Representative Loud, of Michigan, aided by Representative Sulzer, of this city, culminated in success, and after an eloquent speech in the House by Mr. Loud the bill was passed making adequate life a reputation which they did not de provision for the raising of the Maine and the honorable burial of her dead, by passage of the Loud bill the final ser- whose coming Dr. Wilson deplored were vices in that sad chapter of American described as "of the meaner sort." "sorhistory should take place.

CONVENTION AND DIRECTORY.

There is, of course, no possibility of deed, it is somewhat hard to see how the the adoption of the preposterous scheme of political revolution which has been the statement that under the terms of put forward by Mr. Lindbergh, of Minnesota, but it has its value as an object ized in reorganization of public service lesson in the extravagance and imcorporations and all the evils of unre- practicability of some of the "Insurstricted stock watering inflicted on the gents" or so-called "Progressives." The former name is probably the more apamount of capitalization in reorganiza- propriate, for they certainly are insurging, while it is clear that some of their proposals are retrogressive rather than progressive.

The present plan is, for example, a palpable reversion toward the discredited ideas of more than a century ago and is a hybrid combination of the Convention and Directory of the French revolutionary era. The abolition of the Senate would make the House of Representatives another National Convention, while the Committee at Large would be either a Committee of Public Safety or an enlarged Directory of lifteen. Mr. Lindbergh would apparently suffer the Presidency to remain in existence, but it is quite obvious that it would be reduced to little more than a nonentity and that the Committee at Large would be the real legislative and executive power. It is true that the "recall" of even these potent functionaries would be provided for. Yet the extra-strenuous "recall" first of Danton and later of Robespierre himself did not make the prototype of this scheme a shining prec-

edent in the history of governments It is well to make note of the fact effected in the change from a monarchi- and more, to account for the mysterious get all that money?" asked his wife.

of harm to the public interests under its periment in republican government has rus in urbe as dear to them, and as necprovisions to be trying to recall it from in a century and a third proved so unthe Governor to amend it. If he does satisfactory as to warrant its abouldness birds chirp there as blithely for art as not succeed Governor Dix should not sign this bill, for a good law should not Directory, or, indeed, any other system hills nainters and illustrators draw from sign this bill, for a good law should not Directory, or, indeed, any other system hills painters and illustrators draw from utes fast," replied the boy. be made ridiculous by adding to it a sec- of government, past or present, has life the tethered cow in her natural enof government, past or present, has shown results so far superior to ours as to invite an exchange of ours for it. We are inclined to think that careful consideration of our record compared consideration of our record compared the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. It has its importance among the boroughs of this city. tion entirely antagonistic to the letter shown results so far superior to ours as vironment. to invite an exchange of ours for it. with that of any other nation will reconcile prudent men to worrying along a Republican National Convention have little further with the Senate and the Vice-Presidency and all the other dethe national committee's call the full vices of Washington, Franklin, Hamil-

NO PLACE FOR "ISMS."

William C. de Mille, who wrote "The thuslasts the other night a few plain dramatic discussion and experiment. quake to which it has no right? might find fruitful lodgement in the

brains of countless social reformers. The subject of his address was "The Prospects for a Single Tax Play" and its substance a lesson in some of those histrionic essentials the disregard of which would condemn such a play to immediate oblivion. He made the point

be taught, apparently.

"Let them do all their thinking before and after the play," said he. "You can't be moved emotionally while you are having your intelligence appealed to." And he concluded that a single tax

PREMATURE REVISION.

Woodrow Wilson the politician is still engaged in a catch-as-catch-can wrestling match with Woodrow Wilson the historian. The candidate for the Presidency is trying to worst the student and the man of letters. In his free capacity as an historical chronicler Mr. Wilson expressed certain depreciatory views of what now constitutes a considerable voting element in our population which, as an aspirant for the Presidency, he wishes to read out of the record. In his "History of the American Southern and Central Europe, which of discovery,

But now there came multitudes of men the lowest class from the South Italy and men of the meaner sort out of Hungary and Poland, men out of the ranks where there was neither skill nor nergy nor any initiative of quick intelligence; and they came in numbers which increased from year to year, as if the countries of the South of Europe were lisburdening themselves of the more soriid and hapless elements of their popu lation, the men whose standards of life and of work were such as American workmen had never dreamed of hitherto.

Mr. Wilson even said that as a whole nounces the discovery that Dr. Wilson never had anything but the highest admiration for "the great people of Italy" in his heart, and that he was only think-And in remembering the dead it is ing of certain lawless elements in the passage above quoted. Says the Gov-

> I was, in the passage alluded to, only deploring the coming to this country of certain lawless elements which I had supposed all thoughtful Italians them selves deplored. I was thinking only of the men who have once and again threatened to give to that whole, fine body

the other epithets and substituting "lawless," but until that revision appears graphologist proceeds. The fina! " apologies like the one sent to the Philadelphia newspaper can have no textual basis. Governor Wilson should remember that the moving finger writes, and, while, Colonel Harvey is busy selling the nary imagination. old.

STATEN ISLAND. The existence of a certain amount of ivalry and jealousy among the boroughs that constitute this mighty metropolis of the New World cannot be denied. and to them must be ascribed, we confess it with sadness, the unwillingness of Manhattan, Queens, Kings and The Bronx to credit the report from Richmond that it has had an earthquake all by itself. It is green-eyed envy that causes them to pretend that this quake, which was heard if not felt from Fourth avenue, New Brighton, to Arrochar, which reverberated from Tottenville to Mariner's Harbor, and awakened the dwellers on Grymes Hill and at the Country Club, was in reality nothing but an explosion of yeggmen's "soup" in the vault of a local bank. Anonymous letters received at this office even insinuate that the whole report is nothing but a daring advertising scheme of the amusement managers of the Staten Island beaches.

Staten Island deserves no such invidious explanation of its earthquake. It harbors sufficient artistic temperament, Now, what time was it? companies. Senator Pollock is now suf- garles, will do well to ask themselves erleigh," which started as Prohibition say, I think you're both wrong. Ma's with his stamp act or tea tax.

great retaining wall at St. George, with, say some, a bulge in it that is ample proof of its superabundance of artistic temperament, though posterity, no doubt will point to that bulge as evidence of the earthquake instead. Staten Island But a Hard One to Follow for These owns the Bay of New York, both upper and lower, or, at least, the Staten' Islanders believe that it does, to hear them Woman," told his fellow single tax en- talk. It has probably the greatest coal editorial under the heading, "No One's deposit in the greater city right at its Fault, as Usual"-a final word on the Tritruths about the limitations of the doors. Why, with all its artistic and drama which, in these days of frenzied natural riches, should it claim an earth-

> It is time for a strike against the strike habit.

General H. H. Bingham, of Philadelphia, who died yesterday, was the Father of the House of Representathat the dramatic stage could not be tives," having sat in that body continution, something the average playgoer Cannon entered the House six years overzealous advocate of a cause must years in his service. General Bingham There is nothing left to do but to teach the was a gallant soldier, and until over-The playwright differentiated-with come by ill health an active and useful how much justification we must leave to legislator. His courtesy and amiabilityterritorial conventions will be held in our readers to decide-between the were unfailing, and few members were FOREIGN.-It was admitted that the Indiana. Mississippl, Colorado and drama and other forms of art in assert- more affectionately regarded than he Alaska. The eight Congress districts of ing that the drama, to fulfil its function, was. His death removes the last figure Mississippi will elect, as will nine more must appeal to the mass of the people; in a famous group of Philadelphia Reptricts in New York. In all, about 150 fundamental emotions which are univer- sides himself Samuel J. Randall, "Pig Not Easy to Establish Over the Office delegates will be named, and of that sal. For this reason, he pointed out, to Iron" Kelley, "Charles" O'Neill and A. number it looks as if at least 120 to 130 the evident consternation of many of C. Harmer, all highly influential in the

> Dr. Wynkoop, of Chicago, wants every bachelor to adopt a baby. It would be ise to keep the name strictly secret. good for the bachelor, he says. Whether are easily found, for orderly systems, the bachelor's ministrations would be good for the baby is another question.

The report of the discovery of the 'mother lode" of iron ore in Pennsylvania will, if verified, warrant more admiration than astonishment. It may seem strange to some that so great a discovery should have been so long deferred in a region which is supposed to Pennsylvania. Yet we must consider the enormous difficulties of subterranean exploration and the possibility of surprises in a geological region so mixed was made at the discovery of the North Pele, that after all parts of the earth's surface had been visited and explored surface a greater and more precious field

n the joint International loans to China because of her aversion to thus co operating with the United States will if persisted in, scarcely compass the defeat of the project. There is plenty of

Chancellor Brown's financial proposals for New York University are impressive but not extravagant. Nearly \$5,000,000 en had never dreamed of nitnerto.

The unlikely fellows who came in cure, but larger amounts than that have lieves he can. WILLIAM N. TOSHACH. at the Eastern ports were tolerated betions; and the same may be said of the further demands for from \$25,000,000 to \$30,000,000 in the next ten or twelve years. The acquisition of all these the richest university in America, while on the other hand it would be difficult to designate another in which the opportunity of profitable employment of such endowments is more inviting and assuring than it is at University Heights. Nor do we know of another American city which in any material respect is better fitted and entitled to be the site of the largest and richest two universities in the land.

THE TALK OF THE DAY.

A Berlin graphologist has devoted his atof Italians who have enriched American tention to the Kaiser's signature. To begin with, says the expert, there is a crotchet, a sign of pertinacity, followed by a vertical Unfortunately in the passage in the dash, showing audacity, energy, regardless and the honorable burial of her dead, by a vote of 115 to 4. It is a poetic coinci- history there is no reference to any "law- of any obstacle. Then there is an acute dence that exactly two years from the less element" of Italians. The Italians angle, a sign of firmness and aggressive ness. The first stroke of the "W" indicates a feeling of superiority over the rest of the universe. The termination of the imperial did," "hapless" and "unlikely," but not "W" suggests that the sovereign sometimes as "lawless," "Lawless" is a political finds himself struggling with the multitude afterthought. It may be that a revision of his thoughts or the power of his inof the history is on the press eliminating stincts. The other letters forming the sigpature show similar characteristics, the indicative of great diplomacy, which to the analyst suggests subtlety. The letter also suggests the impossibility of the suppres sion of the "ego." The flourishs which ter minates the imperial autograph shows having writ, there can be no recall until suppleness of spirit, a desire to be loved the old plates are safely smashed and also self-esteem. The two terminating the infelicities of the original output are points indicate defiance, and generally the overcome in a brand new edition. Mean- characteristics are those of an extraordi-

> Mr. A.—A more deserving medical man han our friend Richard does not exist. le very frequently accepts no fees from than our friend Richard does not exist.
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> He very frequently accepts no fees from
> his patients.
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> Mr. B.—You don't say so!
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> Mr. A.—He generally settles with the
> heirs.—Tit-Bits.

THE CHINESE SUFFRAGETTES. "Better fifty years of Europe Than a cycle of Cathay,' Is the way the poet put it

In the Tennysonian day, But in these times Of window-breaking women rhymes, The actions of the ladies Make a truly poet say That the European methods

Have got nothing on Cathay W. J. LAMPTON First A. B. (mess cook)-Wot'll we give

First A. B. (mess cook)—woth we give 'em to-morrow for afters? Taploker? Second A. B. (mess cook)—That'll do; bung it down; you'll want four pounds. First A. B. (spelling audibly as he writes)— Four pounds t-a-b-a-t-a-b-i—(hesitates) we'd better 'ave macaroni. Second A. B.-All right; bung it down,

A man who writes humor tried a new joke policy on the question of franchise capi- really insurging not against some mere South and Midland, rivals of Bath Beach on his wife in the presence of his eighttalization. It is not to be assumed for party policy, but against the whole and Coney Island, across the Bay, and of year-old son and got the worst of it. Said he: "This afternoon three men looking for charity came to the door. To the first one, I gave 10 cents, to the second I gave 10 cents and to the third I gave a nickel. "Where did you noise. Enough, even, to shake the rocks a joke; what time was it?" he said. After Pollock bill, indeed, was designed and They are doubtless entitled to their on which it rises above the Bay and tops a short time she gave up. "Why," said commissions the same power to the preferences and desires, as would also the commissions the same power to the preferences and desires, as would also the commissions the same power to the preferences and desires, as would also the commissions the same power to the preferences and desires, as would also the commissions the same power to the preferences and desires, as would also the commissions the same power to the preferences and desires, as would also the commissions the same power to the preferences and desires, as would also the commissions the same power to the preferences and desires, as would also the commissions the same power to the preferences and desires, as would also the commissions the same power to the preferences and desires, as would also the commissions the same power to the preferences and desires, as would also the commissions the same power to the preferences are the commissions the same power to the preferences are the commissions the same power to the preferences are the commissions the same power to the preferences are the commissions the same power to the preferences are the commissions the same power to the preferences are the preferences are the commissions the same power to the preferences are the p

ficiently impressed with the possibility whether on the whole the American ex- Park. Artists find in Staten Island the nearer than you are, pop, but she doesn't

ONE WAY OUT

Who Must Work or Starve.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: In to-day's Tribune there was an angle disaster of about a year ago. Tribune carried, for a few days after the of the Pure Food Bureau of Tennessee, on terrible fire, a statement on its front page about what must be done to mete out justice to those responsible for it. Your statement was called to my attention at the time as an evidence of the desire on the part of some people to-see justice done. Even The Tribune found out that it was futile to demand, to resolve or to investi-

Nothing will be done, nothing can be done, for those who were burned or for used to further any campaign of educa- ously since March 4, 1879. Ex-Speaker their families, and neither can those who are even to-day exposed to worse dangers day that the Swedish-American Republican expect, hope or believe that the employers Club of Chicago, which he recently adunderstands instinctively but which the earlier, but there was a break of two intend to better these conditions one whit. workers themselves to refuse to work except under conditions satisfactory to them; to refuse to hold their lives cheap; to refuse CHARLES STORM. to be exploited.

New York, March 22, 1912.

A MONOPOLY

of President. To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: I suppose all of the enrolled voters have received requests for their views on Maury and Lieutenant Rockwell. Mrs. Taft Mrs. Robert G. Quennell for the marriage Mr. Taft and Mr. Roosevelt, with a promopen to investigation and subject to criticism, in which all voters may establish a right to take part in the political parties hereabouts, have brought to light and matured all sorts and conditions of political candidates for office. Along this avenue journeyed our former President until he reached the summit. The method was sufficiently expressive and eminently progressive when it was speeding him to office. What is the matter with it now?

A few of us were startled when prior to have been as thoroughly explored as our last Presidential convention it was asserted: "They will take Taft or they will get me," I, for one, have never been able to reconcile this pronouncement with becoming deference to the choice of the No political boss of modern time and mingled as that of the Appalachian has issued a mandate more arrogant than range and its slopes. The incident that It happened, however, to agree with gives new point to the remark which public sentiment at the time. The supreme arrogance was mellowed in regard for the

Just as we were making a niche for him in line with Washington, Lincoln and Cleveland he turns a handspring and lands on the trapeze alongside of the much abused Bryan, exclaiming: "Some fight!" "My hat is in the ring." Possibly an ordinary citizen gren, Representative and Miss Cannon, The refusal of Russia to participate cannot diagnose the conduct of the filus- Representative and Mrs. Foss, Representatrious colonel aright, but the symptoms of tive and Mrs. James R. Mann, Representaone who covets are present and the fever has made him delirious. A monopoly of the Russian military attaché, and his sister, Chief Magistrate's office will be a good Baroness Elizabeth de Bode; Mrs. J. D. its stock of men with fertile brains and rows, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Ridgely, extraordinary abilities. Let us have a truce Miss Lay and Mr. de Peretti de la Rocca, 'cross-lot proposals. Some rest. The weight of Mr. Taft on the lid, as Mr. colonel can do many things well, but he cannot waive the rule applied to a house

New York, March 12, 1912.

EXISTING LAWS

than Their Overthrow.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: There are some very difficult problems before us which demand solution, and cause considerable dissatisfaction and unrest in many quarters, which will continue, no matter who may be our next President. until more progress is made possible toward a solution and consequent lessening of the distatisfaction. Great differences of opinion as to methods exist among political parties and among leaders of the same party, but if we are to endure as a republic it seems very clear to me that there well as all future ones, should be solved along constitutional lines and existing laws.

different or modified, but he cannot ad- Lawrence Townsend, Countess Moltke and Brooklyn, but now of East 53d street. Horminister the law except in the shape it is others were in the audience. now made. Progress has been accomplished, and I sincerely hope that Mr. Taft will of Miss L. Z. Leiter and later occupied be elected for another term. New laws a hox with her hostess. Mrs. Lefter's adare doubtless very necessary, as well as ditional guests for both dinner and opera amendments to some we have, but are not were Miss Dorothy Williams, the Postmasso urgent as the wise and active enforce- ter General, Lieutenant Rodgers and Major of existing laws just as they now stand.

We can't have everything all at once; great bodies move slowly, and even the initiative, referendum and the recall will be subject to this unwritten statute. We don't want to lose the good we have through greed for more. CHARLES F. HURLBURT.

New York, March 20, 1912.

A VOICE FROM THE GALLERY. To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Though agreeing with you that this year was an inopportune time for Mr Roosevelt to announce himself ready for the nomination for the Presidency, I am most disappointed to see a paper of the grade of The Tribune deluding itself into thinking that what Mr. Roosevelt says rbout the people running their own government finds response merely from the galleries. If you must continue to imagine most of the applause as coming from that quarter when genuine democracy is mentioned please remember that there are a good many of us up there, and we are hardly a mob, either; in fact, we are decidedly individuals. To you, back there in the country of somewhat comfortable conservatism, as ideas go, we may look somewhat disorganized, and, of course, on dangerous territory, as pioneers always are, but we know that there is a land to be possessed, the land of the people. Even the great conservative dailies ought to discover at last that if there is reception will follow at Rauscher's. one conspicuous idea that is much alive then
First A. B.—Four pounds m-a-k-a-m-a-k-i
-oh, we'll 'ave rice! Four pounds r-l-s-e!—
Funch.

and growing and idea of democracy.

CHARLES A. DANN. Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y., March 22, 1912.

A TELLING CARTOON. m The Ohio State Journal.

The New York Tribune has a cartoon showing two old men, who seemed burdened by forgetfulness and regret, and one who is entitled "Aged Litigant," asks the other, "What was it we went to law about, anyway?" and the other, with his hand on his forehead, is trying to think. On the ground near them is a little toy truck drawn by a snail, and the load is a file of papers called the case, which the two aged litigants were trying to remember.

The title of the picture is "The Law's De-

lay," which is ten times more oppressive of the people than old George III ever laid on them

People and Social Incidents

AT THE WHITE HOUSE,

[From The Tribune Bureau.] Washington, March 23.—The President and Secretary Hilles attended the services over the Maine dead, going to Arlington Na-

tional Cemetery for the burial.

President Taft will probably send to Congress early next week another tariff message, transmitting the report of the Tariff Board on the cotton schedule. A synopsis several days, and this afternoon Professor Emery and A. H. Sanders laid the full report before him.

invited to be present.

Senator Luke Lea and a delegation from of the bureau of chemistry.

Representative Smith, of Michigan, in- Lewis Cass Ledyard, troduced to the President ex-Governor Warner, Justice Stone, of the Michigan Supreme Court, and C. W. Ward, of Pontiac. Francis B. Loomis, Senators Warren, Percy and Gallinger and Representatives Esch. Lobeck, Burke, Humphrey and Knowland. Edward C. Westman, Henry Henschen and John E. Ericsson told the President todressed, had decided to present to the Smithsonian Institution two noted oil paintings one of the fight between the Monitor and the Merrimac and the other of Ericsson, the inventor of the Monitor.

Taft over night, returned to their home to-

Taft, who were White House guests, re- Sloane. Tickets can be obtained at the turned to Cincinnati to-day.

The President and Mrs. Taft occupied a hox at the opera this evening. They had with them the Assistant Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Beekman Winthrop, Miss was at the opera this afternoon

THE CABINET.

Horom The Tribune Bureau has recovered from an indisposition of several weeks sufficiently to see her friends. She suffered a severe attack of grip, which confined her to her bed. The Secretary and Mrs. MacVeagh will entertain the Washington Society of the Archmological Institute of America at a meeting on Saturday, March 30, at 4 o'clock, when Professor Jasper Rene Gregory, of the University of Leipsic, will be the guest of honor

The Secretary of Commerce and Labor left here to-day for Richmond, Va., where to-night he will speak before the Richmond Chapter of the American Bankers' Insti-He will return to-morro The Secretary of the Navy and the Misses

Meyer occupied a box at the opera to-night.

THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS. [From The Tribune Bureau.]

bassador and Mme. Jusserand entertained also just arrived. at dinner to-night Senator and Mrs. William Alden Smith, Senator and Mrs. Frank O. Briggs, the Swiss Minister, Mme. Ekentive Jefferson M. Levy, Baron de Bode, monopoly when the nation has exhausted McLachlan, Mr. and Mrs. Julius C. Bur-

The Mexican Ambassador and the Swed-Roosevelt remarked some time ago. The ish charge d'affaires have been the objects | Lord Lowth, who was a familiar figure of attention from members of the diplomatic corps and society in general to-day. Mrs. Hermann Oeltichs and her son, Herthis year will be a large amount to sedivided against itself. I wonder if he because, but larger amounts than that have lieves he can. the report from Mexico of his immediate Harriot Daly; Harry S. Black, Mrs. Stephen transfer to Vienna, and Mr. Ekengren being | H. P. Pell and Mrs. William congratulated on his promotion to the rank were among those who sailed for abroad of minister in Washington. Mr. Ekengren yesterday. Lord and Lady Herhert, funds would scarcely make New York Their Enforcement More Important Washington, Sefor Crespo will not go to a and J. Ridgely Carter, former American new field in Austria, as his wife and chil- Minister Plenipotentiary at Bucharest, also

dren are now in Vienna. The French military ataché and Countess de Chambrun and their children will return to-morrow from Cincinnati, where

they are the guests of Mrs. Nicholas Long-

worth, the mother of the countess. The Danish Minister and Countess Moltke row from California. entertained informally at dinner to-night,

IN WASHINGTON SOCIETY.

[From The Tribune Bureau.] Washington, March 23.-Two presentaought to be but one opinion among all Washington society ousy, and with few good citizens, that the present problems, as exceptions the luncheon and dinner parties were small, hosts taking their guests to one or the other of the performances. A celving congratulations on the birth of I believe that President Taft is doing, brilliant house was seen to-night for the and has been doing, all he can in this way presentation of "Natoma," with Mary Garand having the laws executed as he finds den and others in the cast. The Austrian Havemeyer, No. 1 East 66th street. them, which is the duty of his high office. Ambassador, Countess von Bernstorff, wife Personally he might wish some law was of the German Ambassador; Mr. and Mrs.

> Miss Heien Taft was the guest at dinner Horton. In her box at the matinee presentation of "Aida" Mrs. Letter entertained Mrs. Nicholas Anderson, Mrs. A. Gordon Cumming, Mrs. Rockwood Hoar, Mrs. Charles Francis Adams and Mrs. late Hugo de Fritsch, who died here in 180 John R. Williams, all of whom were ner guests at luncheon.

Mrs. Marshall Field also entertained at luncheon and an opera party to-day, having among others in her box the Chief of Staff of the army and Mrs. Leonard Wood and Mrs. Richard H. Townsend,

Mr. and Mrs. Henry White entertained a party at luncheon, including the French Ambassador and Mme. Jusserand, in honor of Myron T. Herrick, who goes as Ambas sador to France, and Mrs. Herrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Herrick will leave here tomorrow for Cleveland, where they will remain until just before sailing for France Mrs. Herrick.

The British Ambassador and Mrs. Bryce were the guests of honor at a dinner tonight with General and Mrs. Charles L. Fitzhugh as hosts. Among the other guests were the Portuguese Minister, Mr. and Mrs. Henry White, Mrs. Arthur E. Bates, Mrs. Shepard and Major Winship. Senator and Mrs. Eletcher announce the engagement of their daughter, Louise Chapin Fletcher, to Dr. Thomas J. Kemp. The wedding will take place in Washington at All Souls' Church on April 24. A

Representative and Mrs. Burleson have announced the engagement of their daughter, Laura, to Richard Van Wyck Negley, of San Antonio, Tex.

NEW YORK SOCIETY. There are no two duller weeks in the en-

tire year, from a social point of view, in New York than the fortnight immediately preceding Easter, and for the next fourteen days there will be comparatively little of importance to record. In fact, the only prospects of gayety are to be found in young Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel's dinner dance on Wednesday next at her Fifth avenue house and in the dance which Mrs. J. Wright Harriman is giving at her house in East 54th street on Saturday night There are no other dances of note between now and the other side of Easter, when the programme will be crowded, every day

bringing in fresh invitations, the latest being cards issued by Mrs. J. Pierpont Mo gan, jr., for a dance at her home on Madi-

Another feature of the week is the annual concert of the New York Symphony Club on Thursday afternoon at the Waldorf-Astoria, for the benefit of Auxiliaries Nos. 2 and 3 of the Stony Wold Sanatorium. The Symphony Club is composed of the report has been before Mr. Taft for of about twoscore amateurs, most of them violinists who play under the direction of David Mannes. Among the members are Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, jr., Mrs. James A special musical programme has been Otis Post, Mrs. William L. Bauman, Miss arranged by the Fisk Jubilee Singers for Dorothy Kent, Miss Anita Merie-Smith and next Monday night at the First Congrega- Mrs. John H. Hartwell. The orchestra will tional Church, and President Taft has been be reinforced on the occasion of the concert by members of the Philharmonic Orchestra, and Zimbalist, the well known vio-Tennessee asked the President to place the linist, will be the soloist. The patronesses name of Dr. Lucius Brown, superintendent include Mrs. Henry A. Alexander, Mrs. William B. Dinsmore, Mrs. DeLance, Kane. the list of those to be considered for chief Mrs. Frederick C. Havemeyer, Mrs. August Belmont, Mrs. C. Ledyard Blair and Mrs.

On the same evening there will be & meeting of that extremely eclectic organi-Among the White House callers were zation, the Thursday Evening Club, in the assembly rooms of the Colony Club, where the kinemacolor pictures of the durbar will be shown,

Caruso will be heard, probably for the last time this season, on Tuesday night, when a special performance of "Cavalleria of which he will appear, will be given at the Metropolitan Opera House the day after to-morrow evening. The remainder of the cast includes Mmes. Destinn, Alten and Martin, Amato and Gilly. Mr. and Mrs. Dumaine, of Boston, who formance is in behalf of the Music School were the guests of the President and Mrs. Settlement in East 3d street, and those who are in immediate charge of the affair are Mrs. Douglas Robinson, Mrs. Edmund Mr. and Mrs. Hulbert Taft and Horace L. Baylies and Mrs. William Douglas box office and the various theatrical agencies, but applications for boxes should be sent to Mrs. Dixon, No. 19 East 77th street,

Invitations will be sent out this week by of her daughter Beatrice to Albert R. Gallatin, son of Mrs. James Gallatin. The ceremony will take place at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, April 24, in the Church of Washington, March 23.-Mrs. MacVeagh the Ascension, and will be followed by a very small reception at Mrs. Quennell's house, in West 11th street. The bride's sister will be her only attendant.

Hunting is now in full swing in tha Meadow Brook district, and there will be a meet of the hounds on Wednesdays and Saturdays, at 2:30 o'clock, at the kennels, weather permitting, under the mastership of J. E. Davis. People are gradually returning to their country houses on Long Island from abroad, from the South and from the West, for the post-Easter suburban season of New York, a season that possesses a particular charm and fascinetion for those who have country houses within motoring distance of the city, or who, failing that, have hospitable friends and relatives more fortunately situated, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney are back at their home in the Wheatley Hills; Washington, March 23.-The French Am- Mr. and Mrg. Arthur Scott Burden have

·From England comes the announcement of the marriage of Miss Margaret Ismay. daughter of Bruce Ismay, of the White Star Line, and of Mrs. Bruce Ismay, who was Miss Florence Schieffelin, to Captain Ronald Cheape, of the 1st Royal Dragoo Guards. The bride has been so familiar a figure in New York society that there will be many interested to learn of her wedding,

Mrs. John Henry Hammond will open her house, in East 91st street, on Friday afternoon, for a song recital by Reinhold von Warlich, assisted by Alberto Bimboni.

at the Madison Square horse show last fall, is now in the West, but will return shortly. Alastair Leveson-Gower, Miss Helen Phelps Mme. Ekengten was Miss Jackson, of Stokes, the Right Hon. Sir Horace Plunkett

> Leaving New York for the West Indies were Mrs. C. Ledyard Blair and her daughters and Richard Harding Davis.

Miss Dorothy Perkins is due here to-mor-

Mr. and Mrs. Beekman Winthrop have terminated their visit to New York and have returned to Washington.

Mrs. George W. Hull, jr., has recently been subjected to an operation for appentions of opera at the Belasco to-day kept dicitis, but is now out of danger and on the high road to recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Havemeyer are re

their first child, at the home of the little girl's paternal grandmother, Mrs. Henry O. Horace Havemeyer is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Dick, formerly of ace Havemeyer's sister is Mrs. J. Watson Webb, wife of the son of Dr. and Mrs. W. Seward Webb. Announcement was made yesterday of

the engagement of Miss Harriet Anderson. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Anderson, of Cincinnati, and a niece of the President and Mrs. Taft, to Hugo Gibert de Fritsch, son of Mrs. Hugo de Fritsch, of No. 16 West 8th street. His father, the was consul of Austria-Hungary in New York. Young Hugo de Fritsch was graduated from Harvard in 1899, and since then has spent much of his time in Paris, with Mrs. Theodore Havemeyer.

SOCIAL NOTES FROM NEWPORT. By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Newport, March 23.-The cottage of Miss M. E. Waring, daughter of the late Colonel George E. Waring, of New York, has been leased by Third Secretary Alfred . Horstmann, of the German Embassy at Washington, for use as the summer headon April 11. Miss Patten entertained at quarters of the embassy. Announcement of dinner to-night in compliment to Mr. and the rental was made to-day. The cottage will also be used by Prince Adalbert-Ferdinand-Victor of Prussia, on his Newport visit during the summer.

The Bruen estate, in Bellevue avenue, adjoining the summer homes of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Rives and Mrs. Harold Brown, has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. J. Murray Howe, of Boston, who will be newcomers to the Newport colony this year. Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Van Bruen, of New York, who recently purchased a large Middletown estate, will arrive during April to

inspect the improvements that are being Paul A. Andrews was a week-end visitor

Mrs. Louis L. Lorillard and her sons, Louis I Lorillard and Beeckman Lorislard, have returned to New York, after & short visit here. Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Norman have returned to their Portsmouth estate, after

spending a portion of the winter in New-Walter C. Cabel, of New York, spent the week end in Newport. Mrs. John Ridlon, of Chicago, was ber to-day inspecting the Ridion estate on the

Cliffs. Former Senator and Mrs. John Kean, of Elizabeth, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. Grant Walker, of Boston, are at the New Cliffs. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Tuckerman have re

turned to New York. They will occupy the Malcom cottage the coming season.